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We occasionally hear of deaths from swallowing concentrated lye. Is it that that's killing the Republican party?

The Congressional racket in the 14th District has commenced—and that, too, with puns too horrible for the digestion of the hardest literary ostrich of us all.

The literary artist of the new K. C. S. & M. makes "taffy" to rhyme with "coffee," in the title to a cartoon representing Kansas City in the act of gobbling the Southern trade from St. Louis. Is there no avenging Nemesis in the great metropolis of our State?

A man lately committed suicide in a Parisian restaurant after making a hearty luncheon, washed down with a bottle of choice Burgundy. On a slip of paper found on the table before him he had written in pencil: "Oysters are excellent for the stomach, and old wine promotes longevity; but politics disgust a man with life, and that is the reason why I am about to kill myself." Was he an Ohio man?

The meetings of the thick-and-thin Republicans, wherein the recent civil rights decision is being "resolved" in a very denunciatory manner, remind us strongly of the outbursts against the Senate for not impeaching and removing President Johnson. As in that case, the recent decision was the result of a patient examination of the law and the evidence by men sworn to do their duty. Then, what is the use in "kicking?"

Mary Churchill has been found, made a willing captive by her father, and brought home. She was discovered in Indianapolis where she was hard at work earning an honest living. As a city contemporary says, her being found "leading a contented but unromantic life of industry over the ironing board, is a happy ending to a story which at one time threatened to end most sadly. It is all the more welcome, because it gives us assurance that the runaway trick is played out. Young ladies who may cherish any lingering desires of creating a sensation by running away will probably abandon their desire before the conviction that the public will hereafter take only a languid interest in the loveliest and most romantic fugitive. If this consideration is not sufficient, we are confident that no young woman will enter upon a career of sensation in which the sensation consists in wielding a flat-iron in an asylum laundry for \$12 a month and board.

In Danville, Va., last Saturday evening the intense political excitement culminated in a fight between white and blacks wherein six of the latter and two of the former were killed and many more wounded. The beginning of the conflict was the beating by one of the citizens of a negro who abused another negro for apologizing for apparent rudeness, and spoke roughly about the citizen. Some of both colors interfered, and a pistol was knocked out of the hands of one white man and exploded. Just then the report reached an assembly of white citizens in session about political matters that a conflict was going on in the streets. They came out in a body and both classes formed in separate crowds, some in each crowd being armed. A number of negroes approaching the white crowd called out: "Shoot, d—n you! We had as soon settle this thing now as any other time!" Just then somebody in the white crowd called out, "Fire!" and the firing began. The negroes returned the fire and ran off, some firing as they ran. All the stores were closed immediately, the alarm bell sounded, and people came out with their arms. The town sergeant came out soon after with one of the military companies, and commanded the people in the name of the commonwealth to go home, and the streets were soon cleared. The city is now under the supervision of one of the military companies and mounted police; and the town sergeant in response to a message from the governor, offering assistance, if needed, telegraphed that all was quiet, and no further trouble is apprehended. On Sunday by agreement no services were held in the churches, but the citizens met and declared that peace must be preserved; and procured an order for the closing of the saloons until after the election.

Mr. John Able, who resided near Bollinger's Mill in this County, died last Friday, October 19th, aged 109 years. Mr. Able was born two years before the signing of the Declaration of Independence, and has resided all his life in Cape County until about ten or twelve years ago, when he removed to Bollinger County. He served in the war of 1812, and was drawing a pension for such service at the time of his death. He also served in the Black Hawk war. Mr. Able was an uncle of Dan and Bart. Able, of St. Louis. He was in excellent health up to a few months previous to his death, and was far more active than many men forty years younger, often riding horseback to

Marble Hill long after passing his one hundredth birthday. We have been unable to obtain any but meagre information concerning his life, and will esteem it a favor should any one furnish us with more extended information.—*Marble Hill Herald.*

"Farmer" at the Chicago Exposition.

Ed. Register—One of your correspondents has been to the Exposition at Louisville; and another up this way has been to the Exposition at Chicago. It could hardly be called "a big thing on ice," but it was a pretty big thing on the bank of Lake Michigan. Can't give dimensions of building, but it was a whopper; and it had all sorts of gimcracks and gewgaws inside of it, too. It is intended as a sort of big advertising dodge for the city, and is not a bad idea in the money-getting line. That, you know, Mr. Ed., is about all we live for.

In the way of agricultural machinery there was little one could not see at agricultural stores in country towns; while the show in the products of tilled soil was not equal to the exhibit at some of our country fairs. In general machinery, there was, however, much that, to a country-jake was new and interesting. There was a brick machine that turned out bricks with polished surfaces; but samples of the new concrete, or artificial stone, which seems likely to supplant bricks altogether, being water, fire, frost and time-proof were not to be seen. That wonderful little machine, the type-writer was severely investigated by your curious countryman; and after all it seemed a comparatively simple thing. One could not help wondering how it was that some of our dads had not stumbled on the idea. Much space was taken up with fine duds that one could never expect to enjoy the possession of, and which a majority of our poor toilers will never have the poor privilege of seeing. The reflections come while standing upon the soil of a State that has over twenty-six millions of acres in cultivation, and which in fact leads every state in lawyerdom in cultivation area, and yet in which comparatively few tillers could spare either time or means to visit the exhibition of the result, one might say, of their own labor.

To one who has studied art, while young, the art gallery, or rooms, rather, was a place of interest. In statuaries, the pieces had most of them, been met with elsewhere, except some plaster casts of ancient and mutilated sculpture. In painting, we noticed a Maine coast scene especially fine in atmospheric effects; and a cluster of grapes that fairly surpassed nature in rich, luscious appearance. There were many specimens of bold, careless, handling so often affected by artists, and at least one piece of fine, patient touching and finish by Verne. In flesh studies there were some tender and delicate effects; but in this line there were several pictures that were not only in bad taste but worse, so far as subjects were concerned. Photographs of some of these paintings sent through the mails would have subjected the sender to the penalty for mailing obscene matter; not that they were positively obscene, but because the nude figure was presented with such surroundings as gave the idea of lasciviousness only. Your writer has made studies from the natural and nude model; has such paintings in his house now; but they were intended as examples of grace and symmetry in connection with ideas of history, mythology, and philosophy. Not using a catalogue, the pieces here criticised are not named.

The trip was made over the Wabash road, turning north at Bennet. The way was through high prairie, except in crossing the Kankakee, and the crop mainly corn, of course; but from what a farmer could see, from the car window, it would be safe to put it down at half a crop, or less. From Decatur west a very large acreage of wheat had been sown, even on black soil, and on account of recent rains, was looking remarkably well. In this vicinity dry weather, after harvest, rendered the ground so hard that stubble plowing was stopped until after early seeding time, when frequent rains allowed a large acreage to be put in, the work being continued up to this date.

With the opening of our schools this fall the compulsory educational act, passed by our Legislature last winter, comes in force; but it will probably be for the most part a dead letter.

Forty years ago we had one illiterate voter in thirteen; now we have one in every five, and yet neither the influx of foreigners nor the emancipation and enfranchisement of the slaves is accountable for it. This is only another bit of socialism, of governmental influence, that is added to the sum of our economical follies.

The daily drudgery to which the large majority of men, women and children, are subjected in order that they may gain even a hard living, is the real reason why so many fail to educate their children as they should, and yet no one has proposed to relieve them.

Our legislatures and courts do not act or decide upon the principles of good common "horse" sense; but everywhere in public and in private life, slavish mercenary, money-making motives and ideas prevail. FARMER. MURRAYVILLE, Ill., Oct. 28, 1883.

The Mines at Pilot Knob.

MR. EDITOR: We note favorably your brief but pointed descriptions of the above named Mines, and now propose to give your readers a further description of

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